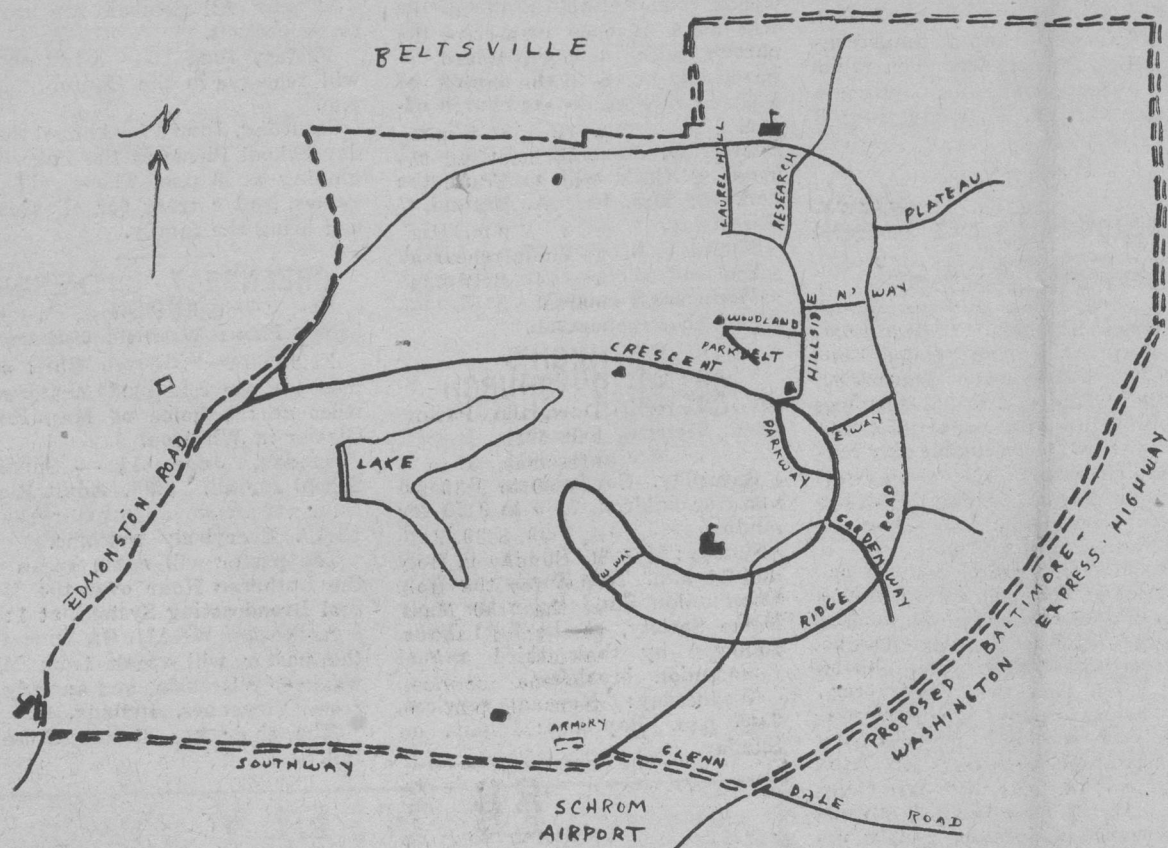




# GREENBELT FOR SALE



## First Defense Homes Built In City In 1941

The historical addition of the first "defense" type houses in Greenbelt was announced in the February 14, 1941 *Cooperator*. The project was one of the fourth largest assignments of the entire national allotment, purposing to ease the war-time housing shortage. In a September 5, 1941, story bylined by Sally Meredith, the defense homes nearing completion were described as being in "marked contrast to original Greenbelt units . . . One such contrast is the cost of construction. The original 885 units cost \$4,799,000 or approximately \$5400 each to construct, while those now under construction average only \$3545 per unit. However, a careful study of the entire labor costs indicates that quite a bit was expended on the original construction because of the relief and rehabilitation aspects of the program over and above the costs which would normally be incurred for labor. The original building program provided work relief to unemployed workers residing in the Baltimore-Washington region."

The December 19, 1941 *Cooperator* announced that a land lease was secured by the Homeowners Co-op for a land lease from Farm Security Administration. The document "deed the Co-op for 99 years 15 acres north of Parkbelt for home building. The individual lots will be leased to home builders at about \$14 a year."

The North End public school was announced as a real possibility in the January 30, 1942 *Cooperator*. The Federal Works Agency had authorized an appropriation of \$450,000 for the modern school of 16 rooms and a combination gymnasium and auditorium.

Home mail delivery began July 1, 1942.

## Future For Sale

Fifteen years ago, in October 1935, when ground was first broken to build the Garden City of Greenbelt, a triple purpose was in the minds of the planners in what was then the Resettlement Administration:

1. To give useful work to men on unemployment relief.
2. To provide low-rent housing in healthful surroundings, both physical and social, for low-income families.
3. To demonstrate in practice the soundness of planning and operating towns according to certain garden city principals.

The first objective was met immediately with the employment of large groups of construction workers. The second was also met immediately, but as the years passed and incomes grew, the "low-income families" phrase has held less meaning, so that ever fewer and fewer residents have been within the income range for which gradd rents are provided. With ownership changing from federal to private, graded rents will cease altogether.

The third objective, however, is one to which Greenbelt will always remain a monument—if its original nature is not too drastically altered after it leaves public ownership. There is already the sharp contrast between the original project and the 1000 homes that were erected under the Lanham Act. Where in the older section neat hedges and shady trees provide an eye-appealing frame for attractive homes with individuality, the barracks-like war homes, though trim and of good functional design, are placed in a barren, treeless, hedgeless plain. Differences of topography, however, can be overcome. Trees and hedges can be planted, lawns seeded, playgrounds built, and even sidewalks and other safety facilities provided by residents who want them enough to do something to obtain them.

Potential dangers that could not be overcome would be get-rich-quick schemes, including poorly-built tenements jammed together to provide future slums, badly-designed commercial facilities, or neglect of the measures originally planned to insure the safety and beauty of Greenbelt.

It will take ceaseless vigilance by the residents to keep Greenbelt the safe and beautiful place it is—the city that still prompts the publication, in such far away places as the University of Liverpool, of articles extolling Greenbelt's virtues.

It has been difficult, but possible, to run our own affairs while under the paternal hand of PHA. The chance to own and operate our city presents a challenging opportunity. Will we throw it away in pointless, bitter arguments revolving around personalities? Or will we all give our best efforts toward achieving our mutual goals?

We agree with the great majority of Greenbelters, who have joined together in the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, that democratic ownership of the city offers the most practical method of attaining our goals.

We do not believe that even GVHC offers an easy road to their attainment. It is a difficult job we set for ourselves, and many people are going to have to continue to give great amounts of their time and energy if the obvious problems are to be met successfully.

We still have faith, however, that there are people in Greenbelt with the willingness and ability necessary to allow Greenbelt to accept the challenge and take advantage of the opportunity.

They'll be paid, too—in the currency of success.

## PHA Wants \$8,522,350 For Property From Qualifying Resident Group

By Sally Meredith

Eight and a half million dollars will buy Greenbelt, Public Housing Administration said in today's official announcement of terms and prices for the city's sale. The property for sale, as shown in the accompanying map, includes all of the housing units, the commercial facilities, and that part of the undeveloped land not otherwise earmarked. (Certain areas will be dedicated to the National Capital Park and Planning Commission for parks; others are planned for possible additional government building, and possibly for dedication to the Beltsville Research Center.)

The undeveloped land in the sale boundaries includes most of that which could be converted to residential or commercial use.

As shown on the map, the property offered for sale lies within the following boundaries: on the west, Edmonston Road; on the south, by Southway from Edmonston Road to Glendale Road to the proposed Washington-Baltimore express highway; on the east, by the Washington-Baltimore express highway; and on the north, by the northern limit of Greenbelt.

### HOW TO QUALIFY

Two months from today, on August 7, PHA will close the period during which a group can apply for preference in purchasing. Qualifications for preference include provisions that the membership must be large enough to purchase and occupy at least 800 units, and that at least 400 members must be veterans. (The latter stipulation complies with the definition of "veteran" group as given in Public Law 65.) Within the two-month period of reservation, a qualifying group must supply some evidence that at least 800 of its members "will be able and willing to make a down payment of 10 percent of the purchase price of the unit he occupies, or intends to occupy."

The PHA commissioners will enter into negotiations with the group that qualifies otherwise and that demonstrates sufficient financial ability to consummate the purchase. No time limit was given on the length of negotiations.

### CUB DENS WILL PLAY DOUBLE-HEADER SAT.

Fred Birdseye, cubmaster of Cub Pack 229, announces a double-header softball game at 10:30 Saturday morning, June 10, at Braden Field. The games will be played by Cub Dens 4 and 10 against 7 and 11; and Dens 2 and 3 against 8 and 9.

## Square Dance Friday For Nursery School

Greenbelt's cooperative nursery school will sponsor a community square dance in the community building auditorium Friday night, June 9, at 8:30. Eb 'n Ely, with the Rock Creek Promenaders, will furnish calls and music, and will demonstrate the steps for dancers. Refreshments will be served in the social room. For information or tickets, call Diana Kramer, chairman, at 6232. Teen-agers can get tickets for a full square of four couples by purchasing seven as a group.

The nursery will picnic at the Greenbelt lake at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 17. Families of nursery-schoolers, past, present or future, are cordially invited to bring down their picnic suppers and join in. Beverages will be sold at the lake for the nursery's benefit.

However, if more than one group qualifies, the city will go to the qualifying group making the highest bid.

On the sale price of \$8,522,350, terms of sale include a 10 percent down payment, the balance on mortgage at not less than 4 percent interest for a term of not more than twenty-five years.

### ESTIMATED BREAKDOWN

PHA did not break down its price into residential - commercial - land components, and has not yet released the detailed appraisal on which the total sales figure was supposedly based. Until such figures are available, any figures for individual housing units lie in the realm of conjecture, since the separate parts of the whole community are of varying construction and value.

A stab can be taken at estimating, although the results will need liberality of interpretation, allowing wide margins on either side for adjustment. At any rate, the decision as to individual house prices will be decided by the purchaser.

The undeveloped land, together with the commercial facilities, might logically be valued at \$1,000,000. Of the seven and a half million left, a fair division between the 1000 war units and the 85 original units might be \$3,000,000 for the war homes, \$4,500,000 for the others. An average is thereby reached of \$3000 for the war homes, and a little over \$5000 for the original homes.

Further conjecture as to unit price breakdown must take into account the makeup of the city: There are, in the war housing section, 148 1-bedroom apartments, 602 2-bedroom houses, and 250 3-bedroom houses. In the original section there are 84 1-room apartments, 222 1-bedroom apartments, 16 1-bedroom houses (honeymoon bungalows); 243 2-bedroom houses, and 320 3-bedroom houses.

### OTHER QUESTIONS

Information which PHA will require of a group applying for preferential designation includes the group's organizational structure; the identity of its membership, and the membership's rights and obligations; provisions assuring present tenants of equal opportunity to become members; information on stocks, funds, securities; and compensation to be paid anyone hired for organizing, negotiating, and financing, and the basis upon which such compensation is computed.

Protection for those residents who are unable or unwilling to buy was indicated in the statement that "prior to the closing of sale" PHA will offer the tenants 12-month leases, which the purchaser will agree to honor as part of the sales contract. Other leases which the purchaser must honor are those presently existing with commercial facilities.

### You an Indian Too?

Do you want to be an Indian this summer? Then join the summer reading club at the library and win those feathers for a headband! Boys and girls from the third to the sixth grade are eligible. For particulars, ask the librarians.



# GREENBELT COOPERATOR

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

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1. To report Greenbelt news fully, fairly and accurately.
2. To serve the best interests of the cooperative movement.

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## To the Editor

### COOPERATION

We have read with interest James Ott's letter to the Cooperator last week regarding the recent GCS flyer. We feel that Jim had a point and that no doubt it appeared that GCS was implying it operated the swimming pool.

GCS, however, has been cooperating for several years with the Recreation Department, helping to advertise the pool. The copy which appeared on the flyer regarding the swimming pool was supplied in toto by the City Recreation Department. There was no intent on our part, as Jim thought, to be doing a bit of exploiting by GCS.

We are glad to be able to, and want to continue to, cooperate with the Recreation people.  
Samuel F. Ashelman, Jr.  
General Manager

### ENJOYMENT

Mrs. Lydalu Palmer's recital Sunday afternoon was sensational, and was enjoyed by all present. Her pupils sang with the greatest of ease and the quality and tone with which all the students sang was most inspiring. I have been told that some of her pupils have been studying with her for only a few months. To me they sounded like professionals.

Mrs. Palmer must be a very remarkable teacher to acquire such results. Don't miss the next recital in the fall—I am sure you will enjoy every minute of it, as I did this one!

A. Mayo

### APPRECIATION

I want to thank all my many friends for their kindness during my recent illness.

Mrs. Fred Birdseye

### THANKS

I wish to thank all the parents who gave cash donations and baked goods to the PTA bake sale June 2. The sale was sponsored by the home-room mothers of the center school, and was very successful. Net profit to date is \$91.33. I also want to thank the home-room mothers and substitutes for their time and hard work which make the sale possible.

Mrs. Elaine Gardner  
Chairman, Home Room Mothers

## First Church Service Will Be Aired Sunday

Reverend Eric T. Braund of the Greenbelt Community Church announces that the dedication service for the new church held at 8:45 a.m. last Sunday will be rebroadcast over Station WCFM at 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 11. WCFM, Washington's cooperative radio station, is located at 99.6 megacycles on the FM dial.

A number of Greenbelt families are extending an open invitation to any Greenbelters to come to their homes to hear the program. Hosts for the radio gatherings include the following: Rev. and Mrs. Eric T. Braund, 7 Forestway; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Miller, 9-J Ridge; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Volckhausen, 4 Forestway; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bowman, 14-Z-3 Laurel Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Neff, 3-D Ridge.

Other Greenbelters who have FM sets are urged to invite their friends and neighbors to join them in listening to the program.

## Holy Name Society Plans Annual Rite

The Holy Name Society of St. Hugh's Parish will hold its third annual Communion breakfast on Sunday, June 11, immediately following the 7:30 a.m. Mass, at which members will receive Holy Communion together.

The breakfast will be held at the Varsity Grill in College Park, with Father Joseph E. Gedra, Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church Washington, as guest speaker. Father Gedra, who is also diocesan director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, will speak on "The Parent-Educator."

Reservations may be made by calling any of the officers of the Sodality.

## Latter Day Saints Plan Picnic June 10

A family picnic will be held at the Greenbelt Lake on June 10 by the local unit of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Food for lunch and supper and snacks all afternoon will be available, and the public is invited. Softball and other games are scheduled. Proceeds of the picnic will be employed in the local group's cash assessment for the welfare plan of their church, which cares for all needy members.

## High School Ends Term On June 15

Last day of school for Greenbelt High School is June 16. Classes will be dismissed sometime around 10 o'clock that morning.

Members of the Greenbelt High school patrol and the Student Council attended the Washington-Detroit ball game as a reward for faithful service rendered the school this year. Tickets for the ball game were purchased jointly by the high school and the boys. Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington team, gave the boys a reduction in price for a group block of tickets. Mr. Perazzoli, patrol sponsor for the school and Mr. Messner, student council sponsor, accompanied the group to the ball game.

Members of the Junior High School Choral Group of the Greenbelt High School, accompanied by Miss Kefauver, will sing over radio station WGAY, Thursday, June 8 at 12:15.

## Register Next Week For Fall Elections

June 12-19 has been proclaimed by Governor William Preston Lane, Jr. as "Maryland Registration Week." Many election supervisors are providing extra registration days so that all who are eligible may register. Greenbelt residents may register for the fall primary and November elections on June 13 at the firehouse, from 1 to 7 p.m.

Requirements are 21 years of age, resident of Maryland for a year before the election date and Prince Georges county for six months. Young people twenty years old who will reach their twenty-first birthday before election time may register now to vote in the primaries, as may those newcomers who have lived in Greenbelt since last October. Clerks have pointed out the importance of declaring a party affiliation so that the voter may be eligible to cast a ballot in the primaries, which he may not do if he registers himself as independent and unaffiliated.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Ministers

Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.

Phone: 8241

Rev. Eric T. Braund

Phone: 5001

Corner of Hillside and Crescent  
Thursday, June 8 - 7 p.m., Junior choir rehearsal (5th and 6th grade boys and girls). 8 p.m., Cloister choir (junior high girls).

Sunday, June 11 - 8:46 a.m. and 11 a.m., Identical church services and Sunday School sessions for the nursery, beginners, and primary departments at the new church. Rabbi Morris Sandhaus will preach at the 8:45 service and Dr. Frederick E. Reissig of the Washington Federation of Churches at the 11 a.m. service. 9:30 a.m., the junior, intermediate, senior, and adult departments will meet at the Center school (North End students will meet at 8:45 or 11 at the church, with their respective departments.) 8 p.m., Board of Deacons meeting in the church office.

Monday, June 12 - 8:15 p.m., Evening Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Eric A. Braund, 7 Forestway.

Tuesday, June 13 - 7 p.m., High school and college choir rehearsal.  
Wednesday, June 14 - 8:15 p.m., senior choir rehearsal.

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor  
Greenbelt 5911

Saturday, Confessions, 3 to 6 p.m. for children, 7:30 to 9:30 for adults.

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for the Holy Name Society, at the 7:30 Mass, followed by their third annual Communion breakfast.

Wednesday: Novena services, 7:45 p.m. Baptisms: 1 p.m. on Sunday.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Phone SHEpherd 0035

Russell B. Reed, Minister

Saturday, June 10—Children's Day program rehearsal in the church, 19 a.m. Louis Tierney, the new Church School Superintendent would appreciate the cooperation of all parents and teachers in seeing that their children are present both Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Sunday, June 11 — Children's Day program will begin at 10:30 a.m. Every child in the Sunday school will participate. Every one is invited to attend. There will be no Sunday school or morning worship hour. Fidelis Class for Young people will meet in the church, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14—Official Board will meet in the Church, 8:30 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

Friday, June 16—Adult choir will rehearse in the Church, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 17—Annual Sunday School Picnic at the Lake beginning at 3 p.m. There will be games, and a treat for all. Come and bring the family.

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor  
Phone WARfield 0942

Friday June 9—Lydia Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Glazier in Wheaton.

Sunday, June 11 — Sunday School for all, 11:30. Adult Bible class, 12 noon. Church service, 12:30. Everybody welcome.

The pastor will again speak on the Lutheran Hour over the Mutual Broadcasting System, at 1:30 p.m. Station WEAM. On June 18, the pastor will speak from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and on July 2 from Vincennes, Indiana.

The choir has disbanded until fall.

## EB 'N' ELY

Swing your partner at the Co-op

NURSERY SCHOOL SQUARE DANCE

Friday, June 9, 8:30 p.m.

— 75c per person - 8 tickets for price of 7 to teenagers —

## To Veteran Groups Only

Notice is hereby given that the Public Housing Commissioner will, until

**5 P.M. Monday, August 7, 1950**

reserve that portion of the Government housing project at

### GREENBELT

situated in Prince George's County, Maryland, which consists of certain property within an area bounded on the west by Edmonstow Road, on the south by Southway from Edmonstow Road to Glendale Road and along Glendale Road to the Washington-Baltimore Express Highway, on the east by the Washington-Baltimore Express Highway and on the north by the northern limit of Greenbelt, to permit the negotiation of a sale of said property at the fixed price of \$8,522,350 to a

### VETERANS' GROUP

organized on a non-profit basis, as provided in Public Law 65, 81st Congress, approved May 19, 1949. Any group considering itself entitled to a preference as provided in said law and desiring to purchase such property should apply to the Public Housing Administration on or before said date and furnish with its application to purchase, a complete statement on the basis of which preference is claimed, and a detailed plan of the proposed method of financing, development and operation of the properties.

Such information must include:

The organizational structure of the group,

The identity of its membership,

The rights and obligations of membership therein, and provisions assuring present tenants of an equal opportunity to become members.

The amount, kinds, and preference, if any, of stock, funds or securities proposed to be issued. The manner of marketing the same, the limitation as to the holding thereof.

The compensation, if any, to be paid, and the persons to whom payment is to be made for organizing, negotiating and financing purposes, and the basis upon which such compensation is computed.

In demonstrating to the Commissioner its responsibility, the prospective purchaser group, at the end of the offering period, must have a membership of sufficient size so that at least 800 of the units in the project can be occupied by members; the membership shall consist of veterans as defined in Public Law 65 and may include non-veteran occupants but must include not less than 400 veterans. The group must furnish evidence that a least the required number of

its members will be able and willing to make a down payment of 10 per cent of the purchase price of the unit he occupies, or intends to occupy.

Should an application be received which, in the opinion of the Public Housing Commissioner, is from a group entitled to preference under the Act, and should the group demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that it has sufficient financial resources so as to indicate a probable ability to consummate the purchase of the property, the Commissioner will enter into negotiations with such group for the purchase of the property.

In the event more than one group, in the opinion of the Commissioner, is qualified as above stated, sealed bids from such qualified preference groups will be required and the award will be made on the basis of the highest acceptable monetary return to the Government, in accordance with the requirements of the statute.

Negotiations will not be had with or bids accepted from any group which has not applied for the property and qualified as to preference rights and financial responsibility as above provided for on or before August 7, 1950.

The terms of sale for the property shall be not less than 10 percent down payment, the balance on mortgage at not less than 4 per cent interest for a term of not more than 25 years.

The Commissioner reserves the right to withdraw from the negotiated sale any part of the property during negotiations.

The Commissioner reserves the right to terminate negotiations if and when he believes further negotiations will be fruitless.

The offering excludes the electrical distribution system and certain other property which has been or will be sold or dedicated.

The property is offered "where is, as is" and will be sold subject to certain leases on the commercial and residential property. The Government will tender leases to all eligible tenants of the residential property prior to title passage, which leases will be for a period of 12 months.

Detailed information concerning this sales offering may be obtained from, and all notices and applications to purchase the property should be addressed to

## Public Housing Administration

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ten years.

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## 6-Team Softball League Starts Season Tomorrow

The Greenbelt Athletic Club's softball league will begin its  
twelfth season tomorrow night, June 9, with a single game between  
the teams of the Community and Catholic Churches. Game time  
is 8:30 p.m.

## FOX TALES

By Sam Fox

Music: The North End school music  
pageant was a great success and  
Mrs. Lyman Woodman deserves a  
lot of credit for a wonderful job.  
There were over 200 mothers from  
the school watching their children  
sing and dance. The Recreation De-  
partment hopes to sponsor a Glee  
Club throughout the summer pro-  
gram as during the school session.  
Swimming Registration: All who  
wish to register for the August  
swimming classes must register by  
June 12, as we will have to close  
registration in order that we may  
get the list posted and the children  
screened for their classes. We hope  
you will cooperate with the De-  
partment.

Softball Schedule at Braden Field:  
The following games will be played  
at night on the following dates:  
Thursday, June 8 - Mt. Rainier vs  
Nelson Studebaker; Banning-Shee-  
hy vs Annandale. Saturday, June  
10 Andrews Field vs Nelson Stude-  
baker; Mt. Rainier vs Thrifty.  
Tuesday, June 13 - Soldiers Home  
vs Annandale and Andrews Field  
vs Banning-Sheehy. Come out and  
cheer your favorite team to victory.  
Baseball Team: The baseball team  
had a lot of success in winning three  
games out of four and looks as  
though they will continue to win.  
Their next home game is June 11  
against Mt. Rainier at 2:30 p.m.  
They play at home every other Sun-  
day. Cheer the Shamrocks to a  
championship. They have the team  
and need your support.

The league this year is composed  
of six teams, three made up of mem-  
bers of the Athletic Club, and one  
each from the Catholic Church, the  
Community Church, and employees  
of Consumer Services. The teams  
will play 20 games each during the  
season, 4 rounds, with a playoff for  
championship and trophy by the  
winners of each half. First half of  
the season ends Friday, July 21.

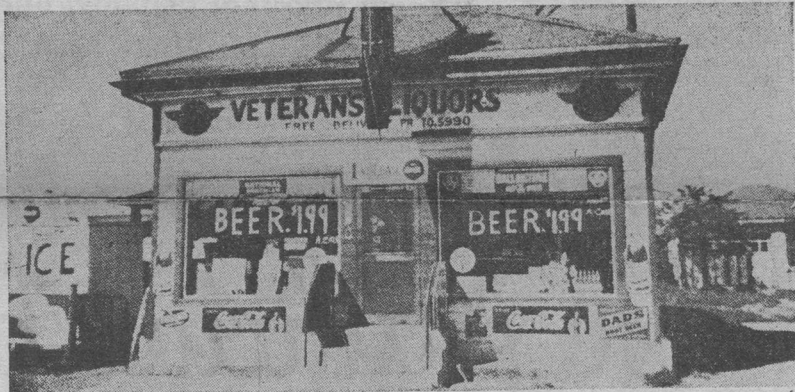
Playing days are Monday, Wed-  
nesday and Friday, with two games  
each evening, first game beginning  
at 7:30 and the second at 9:15. Men  
interested in playing should call  
Tom Shipp, 7666; George Bauer,  
4931; or Blake Palmer, 5201.

The public is invited to attend  
all games.

## Nelson Studes Defeat Soldiers Home, 13-1

Greenbelt's softball team under  
the name of Nelson Studebakers,  
defeated Soldiers Home by the  
score of 13 to 1. Hugh Rowell, the  
winning pitcher, only gave up 4  
hits and pitched an excellent game.  
Hitters were William Haus and  
Harry Benefiel with 3 hits apiece.  
The Mt. Rainier team defeated An-  
drews Field by a score of 7 to 2 to  
complete the double-header for the  
nite.

Every Tuesday, Thursday and  
Saturday a double-header of soft-  
ball will be played at Greenbelt's  
Braden Field.



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## St. Hugh's Closes Friday With Program

A patriotic assembly and ben-  
ediction will mark the closing day  
of St. Hugh's School on Friday,  
June 9, at 10 a.m. The assembly  
will include a program of music  
and recitations, and will be pre-  
ceded by distribution of final re-  
port cards to the children. Par-  
ents are cordially invited.

Order of the program is as fol-  
lows: Salute to the Cross, the As-  
sembly; "Come Holy Ghost," the  
assembly; "A Salute to the Flag,"  
the assembly; a reading, "The Ori-  
gin of Flag Day," by Judith Loft-  
us, grade 4; "God Bless America,"  
by the assembly; a choral read-  
ing, "A Toast to the Flag," all  
grades; "America the Beautiful,"  
by the assembly; Stephen Foster  
selections, accompanied by Judith  
Holland and Jean Bussan, grades  
3 and 4; a reading, "The Story of  
the First Flag," Robert Denevan;  
"My Country, 'Tis of Thee," the  
assembly.

Following the program, the Rev-  
erend Victor J. Dowgiallo will pre-  
sent awards to the children. The  
program will close with Benedic-  
tion of the Blessed Sacrament.

## Sale Offer Recalls City's Early Days

By Miriam G. Johnson

Greenbelt's coming conversion to  
private ownership brings to mind  
events of even "Green"-er town  
time. Old Cooperator files (tedi-  
ously mimeographed!) divulge some  
humorous, some unpleasant grow-  
ing pains of the days when Green-  
belt was brand-new.

In October 1937, Julian M. Ashley  
and family, Greenbelt's first resi-  
dents, moved into 1-G Gardenway.  
Roy S. Braden, first town manager,  
was the second to settle in Green-  
belt, at 1-F Gardenway. He, by  
the way, once was hard-put to iden-  
tify himself to guards to gain ad-  
mittance to "his" town!

Sandra Lee Reamy, first babe to  
be christened in Greenbelt, had to  
have an imported minister officiate  
in the person of Rev. Tippy who  
came all the way from Washing-  
ton for the Christmas eve, 1937 oc-  
casion.

A spicy note by one fictitiously  
signing herself as "Sally Rand" dis-  
closed she was a former cliff-dwell-  
er, unused to hanging personal wash  
outside. Her timid epistle inquired  
if she would ever become "hardened  
to this intimate display." A much  
later issue mentions this letter's re-  
printing in many distant publica-  
tions. Speak up, S.R., how are those  
inhibitions after 13 years of com-  
munal intimacy?

Among many more dignified oc-  
casions of public recognition of  
Greenbelt was the impromptu visit  
of the President's altruistic wife,  
Eleanor Roosevelt. Two hours of  
research (including an unplanned  
house visit) into the habits of the  
genus Greenbelter resulted in a full,  
nationally-syndicated "My Day"  
column.

In June 1937, the Maryland State  
Legislature authorized the incorpo-  
ration of Greenbelt and its environs  
into a chartered town.

Greenbelt had a hospital of 9 beds  
and 3 bassinets from May 12, 1939,  
its date of dedication, until May  
1942, when the Federal Security Ad-  
ministration refused to permit funds  
in lieu of taxes for upkeep of the  
hospital. Residents voted down a  
proposal that each family pay \$12  
annually for the hospital.

Maryland Governor Harry W.  
Nice's letter in the June, 1938 Co-  
operator said of the Greenbelt  
school: "They are vitalizing the ed-  
ucational process by integrating  
their knowledge of reading, writing,  
arithmetic, science, geography,  
spelling with the everyday business  
of living. What is being done in  
Greenbelt in this respect at least, I  
am confident will have an especial  
value in any consideration of edu-  
cational mechanisms in Maryland."

On the Town Council, he remark-  
ed: "I must say that such non-par-  
tisan town government impresses  
me as a symbol of progress in town  
and city administration. I shall  
watch its development and regard  
its progress with sympathetic in-  
terest."

## BENEFIT BARN DANCE TO AID RESCUE SQUAD

The barn dance scheduled for  
Saturday, June 10, sponsored by  
the Women's Auxiliary of Amer-  
ican Legion Post 136 for the pur-  
chase of the respirator for the  
Rescue Squad, will begin at 9:30  
and last until 1 o'clock. Members  
of the Auxiliary invite all Green-  
belters to turn out to make the  
dance a success.

## Personal Touch

There's a new wrinkle to the  
game of baseball. It's about time  
it had an improvement...if this can  
be called an improvement. It's  
being played on donkey-back. All  
the players are on donkeys except  
the pitcher and catcher, and each  
player is carried by the donkeys  
to each base. There's a game of  
it being played June 16 at 8 p.m.  
between the Beltsville Volunteer  
Fire Department vs. the Ladies  
Auxiliary of Beltsville Volunteer  
Fire Department for its benet.  
The ball diamond is in Beltsville in  
back of the Behnke nursery.  
Should be VERY interesting.

George Harmon, 8-K Plateau  
place, is now "Doctor" with a  
Ph.D degree in chemical engineer-  
ing from University of Maryland.  
... Irvin M. Miller, 11-J Parkway,  
is receiving a B.S. degree in chem-  
ical engineering from the same  
college... Joe Vella, 6-B Hillside,  
received his degree of Associate  
of Public Administration at out-  
door commencement exercises at  
American University last Sunday.  
His wife Jo and two boys, Gregory  
and Alex attended the buffet din-  
ner in honor of the graduates and  
they thought their daddy looked  
very handsome in his cap and gown  
... James Taylor McCarl, son of  
Dr. and Mrs. James W. McCarl of 9  
Forestway, received the B.A. de-  
gree from the School of Religion  
at Bob Jones University.  
Mrs. Sally Brandon, 10-K Plateau  
place, had an appendectomy per-  
formed Saturday and is fit as a fid-  
dle.

Mrs. Betty Miller's mother  
Mrs. S. H. Westwood, is visiting  
her at 8-G Plateau. She hails from  
Atlanta, Georgia and will be here  
several weeks.

Mrs. Ferman A. Trudeau, 10-L  
Plateau, gave birth to a 9 lb. 8 oz.  
boy last week. Can you top this?

George Glauberman, 9, son of  
Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Glauberman,  
formerly of the North End  
of town, was selected to appear on  
the Quiz Kids' Program last  
Sunday. The Glaubermans now  
make their home in Richmond Hill,  
New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, 45-  
L Ridge, held a reception at their  
home for Mr. and Mrs. Paul E.  
Hawk, 45-T Ridge, who are leav-  
ing for Paris June 9 where they  
will live for two years. Mr. Hawk  
is employed by the Economic Co-  
operation Administration. There  
were 100 guests present. ... Mrs.  
Henley Goode, 23-P Ridge, gave a  
"carry-in" supper for Mrs. Hawk  
on Monday night. Present were  
sixteen ladies who played cards.  
They gave Mrs. Hawk a travelogue  
book for her trip abroad ... the  
Woman's Club gave here a lace  
table cloth and the Afternoon  
Guild of Community Church plas-  
tic traveling cases to keep her  
lingerie in order.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Grace, 4-G  
Hillside, gave a farewell party for  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Book, 51-F  
Ridge. Mr. Grace is being trans-  
ferred to Arkansas with the  
Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Provost  
and their three children of 26-F  
Ridge left by car for Oklahoma  
and Texas. They will be gone for  
two months on a trip that com-  
bines business and pleasure. ...  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Mead, 58-E  
Crescent, and their four children  
are leaving Sunday for a vacation  
jaunt to Florida.

Mrs. Harold Rosenblatt with her  
daughter Ilene, of Denver, is vis-  
iting her sister, Mrs. Janet Parker,  
45-J Ridge this week. She hopes  
to meet all her old friends at the  
Eb 'n' Ely Square dance this Fri-  
day night at the community cen-  
ter.



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The Greenbelt elementary schools will close on Thursday, June 15, for the summer vacation.

## Teenagers Redecorate Drop Inn For Season

Several teenagers were busy at work Saturday morning, May 27, spring cleaning and face-lifting the canteen. To the tunes from the jukebox, windows were washed, floors were washed, draperies cleaned and aired, furniture washed, and walls dusted. The grass was cut around the Drop-Inn and the bushes trimmed, but as is the case in any house, spring cleaning isn't finished in one day, so another Saturday will be appointed to continue the work.

The main project at the teenage center now is redecorating the snack bar, which is at the present undergoing a fresh paint job. The color scheme is being changed and a few talented teenagers are going to brighten the walls with paintings and quotations in keeping with a snack bar.

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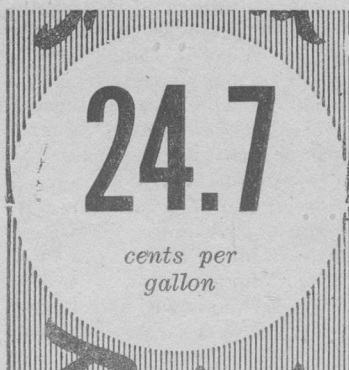
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